

News From

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COUNTY/CITY PLAN RIVER CLEANUP

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced that the county has received a grant to fund a cleanup of the Lower Genesee River's banks. If the grant is accepted by the County Legislature, the county will work with the City of Rochester to coordinate a September 2001 event.

"The Genesee River's banks have long been in need of a thorough cleaning," said Doyle. "With some careful planning, we can restore the beauty and luster of our community's most common water artery."

The \$2,500 grant is available through the New York State Soil and Water Conservation Committee. Funds will be used to purchase equipment and supplies related to the cleanup. A smaller grant, in the amount of \$500, was also received and made available to all counties in New York State and will be used to further the goals of the county's current Water Quality Strategy.

Volunteers from the community will participate in the cleanup, including the county's Community Water Watch Program, the city's Environmental Stewardship Program and some youth groups.

The Monroe County Legislature will vote on the approval of accepting these grants at tonight's regularly scheduled meeting.

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